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Honorable Felix J. Boudreaux
Commissioner of Conservation
Department of Natural Resources
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: 15-A Sand, Reservoir A, SUD
17 Sand, Reservoir A, SUC
21 Sand, Reservoir C, SUA
GRAND BAY FIELD
Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the 15-A Sand, Reservoir A, SUD, 17 Sand, Reservoir A, SUC, and the 21 Sand, Reservoir C, SUA in the **GRAND BAY FIELD**, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of oil and gas from the 15-A Sand, Reservoir A, SUD, 17 Sand, Reservoir A, SUC, and the 21 Sand, Reservoir C, SUA in the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.
2. To create a single drilling and production unit for these sands and to force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the units so created.
3. To designate a unit operator, a unit well and three alternate unit wells for the 15-A Sand, Reservoir A, SUD.
4. To designate a unit operator, a unit well and eight alternate unit wells for the 17 Sand, Reservoir A, SUC.
5. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the 21 Sand, Reservoir C, SUA.
6. To provide that the operator of the 15-A Sand, Reservoir A, SUD, 17 Sand, Reservoir A, SUC, and the 21 Sand, Reservoir C, SUA, can produce the unit allowable from the unit well, the alternate unit well(s) or any combination thereof.
7. To provide that any wells drilled outside of the 15-A Sand, Reservoir A, SUD, 17 Sand, Reservoir A, SUC, and the 21 Sand, Reservoir C, SUA shall be in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
8. To provide that the Commissioner may reclassify the Reservoirs by supplemental orders and without the necessity of a public hearing should such reclassification be warranted, based on evidence furnished the Commissioner.
9. To discuss any other matters that may be pertinent to this application.

The 15-A Sand, Reservoir A, was fully defined in Order No. 80-R, effective August 1, 1959 and is further defined as that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 8508' to 8598' (electrical log measurements) in the Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. - S.L. 195 QQ No. 207 Well, located in Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 19 East, in the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The 17 Sand, Reservoir A, was fully defined in Order No. 80-T, effective August 1, 1959 and is further defined as that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 8724' to 8835' (electrical log measurements) in the Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. - S.L. 195 QQ No. 207 Well, located in Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 19 East, in the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

The 21 Sand, Reservoir C, is hereby defined as that oil and gas bearing sand encountered between the depths of 10,176' and 10,440' (electrical log measurements) in the Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc. - S.L. 195 QQ No. 208 Well, located in Section 5, Township 20 South, Range 19 East, in the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for POSTING of the legal notice of the hearing and unit plats in a prominent place in the area of the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, and will cause the legal notice of the hearing to be PUBLISHED in a newspaper of general circulation published in the vicinity of the Grand Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing date.

Any pertinent data relating to the subject application can be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY**, from Cambe Geological Services, 1500 Gray St., Houston, Texas 77002, (713)659-8364.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure, a preapplication notice was given, but no request for a conference was received, and therefore, none was held.

There are attached hereto and made a part hereof plats outlining the proposed units and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties and proposed unit plats (being the same plats attached to the April 3, 2002 preapplication notice) are being furnished **ONLY** to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. However, said plats and the list of parties will be provided to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, there is enclosed our check on behalf of the applicant, Pioneer Natural Resources USA, Inc., in the sum of \$2100.00 payable to the Office of Conservation and representing the required hearing application fee.

Sincerely,

LEON E. COMEAUX & ASSOCIATES



Bill McAlister

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson
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Brandywine III, Ste. 220
Lafayette, LA 70508-4284

Interested Owners, Interested Parties
and Represented Parties

S.L. 195 "QQ"

17 RA SUC
± 86 ACRES
SL 195 QQ NO. 207 (Unit Well)
GPLD NO. A-14 (Alt.)
GPLD NO. A-176 (Alt.)
GPLD NO. A-51 (Alt.)
GPLD NO. A-175 (Alt.)
GPLD NO. A-8 (Alt.)
SL 195 QQ NO. 86 (Alt.)
SL 195 QQ NO. 168 ST (Alt.)
SL 195 QQ NO. 100 (Alt.)

EXHIBIT NO. 1

DOCKET NO.

PIONEER NATURAL RESOURCES USA, INC.

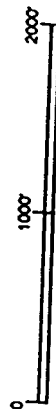
GRAND BAY FIELD
PLAQUEMINES PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED UNIT
17 SAND

Geology by: William S. McAlister, Jr.

DATE:

LEON E. COMEAUX & ASSOC. GEOLOGISTS



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S.L. 195 "QQ"

21 RC SUA
SL 195 QQ NO. 208
± 40 ACRES

S.L. 335

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